



EMERITUS FACULTY

ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER



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Joan Young, Editor

Welcome Note

Dear Colleagues:

Thank you for your notes which have been included in this newsletter. It is good to "keep up" with friends!

Do plan to join us at our May meeting!

Mary Bosworth, President



Banna Ghioto's Military Life

We were entertained at our October meeting by member Banna Ghioto as she shared reminiscences of her life as a U.S. Army nurse from 1941-1946.

Much of her tour was spent in Iceland, where she often had to wash her hair with shaving cream for lack of shampoo and had midnight picnics during the six months of light. Every care package that arrived contained two basics: Spam and powdered eggs.

Later, CBS chose Banna to represent women in the military in its documentary, "Victory in the Pacific." She was also invited to be one of 30,000 present at the dedication of the Women in Military Service Memorial at Arlington National cemetery in December 1997.

Happy News of Members

Jan Bussell took off in his new experimental RV-6A home-built airplane (it took over four years!) for the first time in January. Jan and Joyce are going on a cruise to Alaska in May; then they'll tour the northeastern U.S. and eastern Canada in their travel trailer during the summer.

Lis Erling and Tom visited his sister in Springfield, MO, this winter and were thrilled with the snow, which they hadn't seen in years.

Joan Jones is still living happily and busily in her apartment on the Costa del Sol in Spain. She belongs to the American Club there, where she lectured recently on Mexico and the British Legion. She has also been invited to lecture on "Spain in the New World"

at the local branch of the U.K. University of the Third Age in March.

Patricia Dyer is busy as the vice president and chief financial officer for a small corporation, teaching part-time and volunteering in her church.

Ruthanna Widdows reports that her children and grandchildren are all thriving. She set off her smoke alarm in 1998 from all those candles on her 80th birthday cake. Her husband Joe received a T-shirt from his grandchildren on his 84th birthday that read, "I'm not old, just a recycled teenager." Happy birthday and many happy returns!

Edith Faye Easterling, who suffers from extensive health problems, was reportedly very pleased to be remembered. She asked her sister to reply because her illness renders her unable to respond herself, but would like very much to hear from you.

Ethel Fowler, along with her husband Art, cruised through the Panama Canal to Acapulco last January. She teaches one class a term and volunteers at her church.

Ray Sweet is currently at home in Boynton, but will return to England for his usual stay from April to October. After five years in Bristol, he plans to use London

as his base for his time abroad, because it is closer to Paris. His "Bristol Lady" passed away from cancer shortly after their visit to Amsterdam and the Hague.

Nancy MacPherson spent her summer vacation in Oregon. She says the flowers are glorious and the blueberries, blackberries, raspberries and strawberries are luscious.

Dottie Witherspoon, the self-described "beaming grandmother," has moved to Chicago to care for her first grandchild, Synclaire, while her daughter is at work.

Earl Huber and his wife Nellie will soon be observing their 63rd wedding anniversary. They both stay active. She is involved with several genealogical organizations, and he enjoys church-related activities, gardening, walking and fishing.

Mildred Schild lives in a small town in Georgia, near her brother and sister-in-law. She volunteers at a local hospital, helps with church activities and belongs to a health club. She says she misses tennis, being in golf and baseball country, and she still misses all of us.

Paul Graham spent three weeks in the hospital last July, after surgery on a gangrenous gallbladder. Recent tests indicate that it is now under control. However, doctors still have not been able to diagnose his wife, Elizabeth. She has been suffering from a lung condition for over a year. Their

son Bill, a professor at PBCC, was re-elected to his fourth term on the Palm Beach County School Board and installed as president of the Florida School Board Association.

Larry Tuttle, along with his wife Anna, sends regards from their home in the gated community in Highlands Ridge, Avon Park, FL. In spite of her artificial hip and his pacemaker, they still play golf, travel and enjoy life.

Glen Marsteller and Nancy moved into a motorhome, which they park in Melbourne Beach during the winters. Glen works summers as a park ranger in Lassen Volcanic National Park in Mineral, CA. They are also proud of their son, who is in the U.S. Navy and serves aboard the *USS Roper*.

Betty Wolfe and her husband Bob traveled to Hawaii, Fiji, New Zealand and Australia after he retired. She is happy to report that after her breast cancer surgery, which is now in remission, and a "few setbacks" she is playing tennis again. She will also be moving April 1 to one of the independent-living villages in Orange City, FL.

Melvin and Antoinette Haynes keep very busy. He is a full-time pastor of Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church in Mangonia Park. Their son Malcolm graduated from West Point in 1998 and recently married a fellow graduate; they are currently living in Austin, TX. Their other son, Anthony, is living in Sumter, SC.

Don Cook, along with his wife Mary, moved in 1995 from their "dream house" in Murphy, NC (where Ruth Wing and her husband Clint also spent their summers), to a motor home in Jacksonville, FL. They travel as much as they can, and in 1996, they visited every state west of the Mississippi.

Jim Howell, along with his wife Pam, were in West Virginia and Ohio for four and a half months settling his parents' estate. They are now in Steinhatchee, FL, where they care for her parents. Both have pacemakers and her mother has had a stroke. Jim says it is a great place to relax, fish and scallop hunt.

Jim Flatley enjoys traveling, golf, walks on the beach and surf fishing. He drove 5,000 miles last summer visiting 11 states. He spent December in Hawaii and will spend May in Alaska.

Leon Warner is trying to keep busy golfing, bowling, "shuffling and doing housework" but he says "things are different since Alice died last summer."

Eleanor Myatt in 1998 toured sites in London and the Cotswold area of England connected with her great-great-great-great-great-great-great-great-grandfather, whose political and religious activities forced him to emigrate in 1635 and settle in the America's Connecticut colony. Among his descendants were two signers of the Declaration of

Independence, one delegate to the Constitutional Convention and Lincoln's Secretary of the Navy. She hopes to tour Spain, Portugal and Morocco next summer.

Irving Gerstein, who was hesitant about teaching middle school after many years at the College, has enjoyed sub teaching at the Pine Crest School in Boca Raton. He discovered a fine, intelligent and inquisitive student body there.

Mary Orsenigo works in customer relations at the Bank of Belle Glade and serves on the PACE Board, tutoring students at the Center for Girls.

Lucile Dickinson had a wonderful month in Spain and Portugal last summer on an Elderhostel tour. She works as a volunteer at the Senior Net Program, Bethesda Hospital, teaching senior citizens how to use the computers.

C.A. Gathman has been emeritus for 22 years! His three children are all teachers: Allen teaches botany, Vicki teaches ESOL and Geraldine teaches the learning disabled.

Bill Wilson and Associate Dean Magdala Ray went on a KAIROS team to Okeechobee Correctional Institution on a Christian mission retreat weekend for inmates. They return every other week for "reunion" groups.

Frank McLaughlin, along with his wife Marjorie, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last

year. They also joined Bob Book and Jim Gross in Umatilla, FL, for the Gross' 50th wedding anniversary.

Joan Young drove almost 8,000 miles from November to January, visiting her son in Georgia, a friend in Pennsylvania, two brothers in New York and her daughter and two granddaughters in California. She now has played NTN trivia in over 50 places in 26 states. She still constructs crossword puzzles for publication and competed for the 11th consecutive year in the national American Crossword Puzzle Tournament in Stamford, CT, in March. She is currently teaching a course in American literature at PBCC.

Jean Coffin regrets that her arthritic condition and two fractured hips have kept her from attending our meetings.



In Sympathy

Member **Anatole Turecki** passed away on December 29, 1998, six years after his stroke. His wife Alice wrote to say that he was sorry he couldn't participate in our activities after his retirement.



A note from **Vincent Betz**, in January, informed us that his book, *Florida--Past and Present Visions*, is being used in courses by six teachers at PBCC and that he was planning a second volume. He also intended to publish a pamphlet on antique show and gun show slang, to be illustrated by a former student. Unfortunately, he was not able to finish because in February he passed away.



Member **Olga Connelly**'s husband, John W., passed away on March 22nd. The Emeritus Faculty Association expresses sympathy to Olga and the family.

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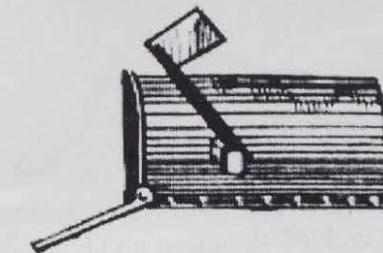
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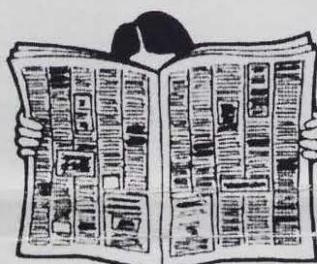
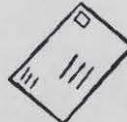
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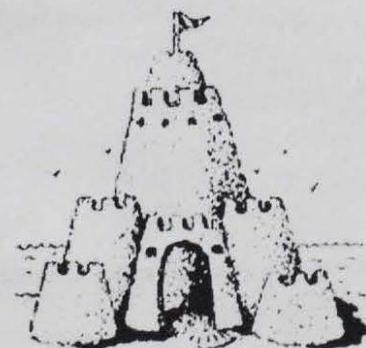
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